



## Office of Emergency Management



To Yavapai County Board of Supervisors

Attn: Craig L. Brown, Chairman

From: R.C. Helton, Emergency Management Officer Subject: Notice of Stage 1 Restriction Termination

Date: 07/29/2021

Determination to terminate Stage 1 Restrictions, Pursuant to Ordinance 2020-02, Section X., Paragraph D. Effective Date and Time: 08/04/2021 at 0800 hrs.

## NOTICE OF DETERMINATION TO TERMINATE STAGE 1 RESTRICTIONS

In accordance with Yavapai County Ordinance No. 2020-02 Outside Fire Ordinance, Section X, the Yavapai County Emergency Management Officer has determined that the Stage 1 Fire Restriction, is no longer warranted and a transition to no restrictions, pursuant to Section X., Paragraph D. is prudent.

This determination is based upon the implementation of no fire restrictions by the Prescott National Forest, Coconino National Forest, Kaibab National Forest and concurrent transition of State and Local political subdivisions to no restrictions.

The transition is predicated upon the recent increase of precipitation in the region and the comparative data, provided by the National Weather Service (Flagstaff Office) and additional diagnostics regarding fuel load and biomass conditions, provided by the Prescott National Forest.

This determination includes the following Fire Ordinance Zones: Northern, Central, Eastern, and Southern Zones of Yavapai County, which include the following cities and towns; Prescott, Prescott Valley, Dewey-Humboldt, Mayer, Cordes Junction, Black Canyon City, Congress, North Wickenburg, Peeples Valley, Yarnell, Wilhoit, Cottonwood, Sedona, Camp Verde, and unincorporated areas herein.

Section X of Ordinance 2020-2 provides that, in pertinent part; ... "the Order shall expire as of the date that the Emergency Management Officer issues a written determination that an emergency condition warranting a prohibition on the sale or use of fireworks, Outdoor Fire Prohibition or Staged Restriction no longer exists within one or more Fire Zones, or as of such other termination date as specified by the Emergency Management Officer in said written determination." Given the nature of the recent increase in precipitation and relative humidity increases in the region, and the importance of a coordinated approach to implementation of a fire restriction, I am therefore making the determination that the recent Stage 1 Restriction, be terminated on Wednesday 08/04/21 at 0800 hrs.

Richard "R.C." Helton

**Emergency Management Officer** 

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